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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PARAGUAYAN PRESIDENT LUGO TO PRESIDENT OBAMA

(U) The Embassy received a letter dated June 8, 2009 from Paraguayan President Fernando Lugo addressed to President Barak Obama. An informal translation follows. No signed original to follow.

BEGIN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION:

His Excellency Barak H. Obama,
President of the United States of America

I received your congratulatory message for the 198th anniversary of the Republic of Paraguay's national independence with great pleasure.

My warmest thanks, Your Excellency, for your good wishes for the government and the people of my country.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Fernando Lugo Mendez,
President of the Republic of Paraguay,
Asuncion, June 8, 2009

END UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION.

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